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"SASSY" WITNESS IS THREATENED BY AN ATTORNEY

Albert Spradling Calls Louis Davis Names in Gordonville Court.

"THAT'S A PLENTY" SAYS JUDGE AND ROW ENDS

Lawyer Is Angered When Witness Becomes Impudent and Women Flee

An unexpected rumpus occurred in Judge H. W. Bangert's court at Gordonville yesterday afternoon, when attorney Albert Spradling of Jackson became incensed at a witness he was cross examining. The witness "sassed" the lawyer, it is said.

The irritable lawyer is reported to have become angered at an answer given by the witness he was examining, and jumping to his feet, applied some epithets and then rushed toward the witness in a threatening manner.

He was intercepted by court officers, and after being admonished by the judge to desist from further demonstrations, he made due apology for his actions, and proceeded with the trial of the case.

The case before the court was a misdemeanor charge, wherein George Conrad of Whitewater, was accused of recklessly driving his automobile into the buggy of George Slagle on the public road about two miles southeast of Gordonville, on the afternoon of July 15.

The state was represented by prosecuting attorney J. Henry Caruthers, and the defendant's interest were being cared for by Mr. Spradling.

Louis Davis, the witness at whom the Jackson attorney became so embittered, claimed to have been riding in the buggy with Slagle when the accident occurred.

Several women who were in the court room when the argument was precipitated, fled.

The jury received its instructions late in the afternoon, and at a late hour last night had failed to reach a verdict. It was generally believed that no agreement could be reached.

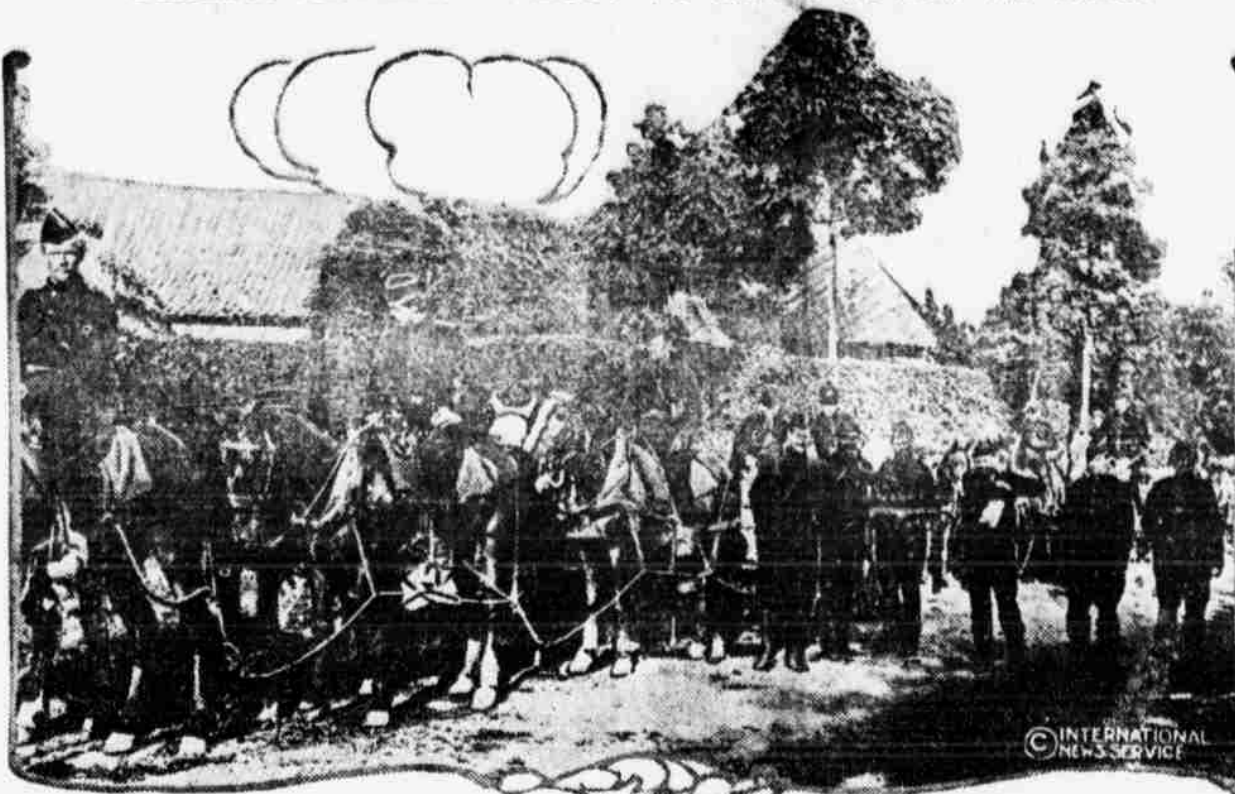
Another case arising from the same source as the one in court yesterday, is pending against Conrad.

After the alleged collision with the buggy, the defendant is charged with having driven on without stopping to inquire as to the extent of the damage or offering to make reparation for the same.

The buggy is said to have suffered considerable damage, an axle being bent, one wheel wrecked and a shaft broken. The hearing on the second and more serious charge will probably be had within the next two weeks.

Mother Casimira, who is the head of the order of St. Francis Sisters, is visiting at the hospital and will remain over Sunday. Mother Casimira is arranging for the completion of the new St. Francis hospital. From the Cape she will return to the mother house, which is the St. Anthony hospital in St. Louis.

BELGIAN ARTILLERY ABOUT TO ENTER ACTION AT DIEST



STEAM EXPLODES SCALDING WOMAN

Miss Marie Unnerstall Almost Loses Both Eyes When Boiling Water is Dashed in Face

Miss Marie Unnerstall was seriously burned about the head and face Wednesday afternoon, at her home near the corner of Sprigg and Morgan streets.

For screams attracted other members of the family, and when they rushed to her rescue she was almost frantic with pain and was blindly struggling to reach the door leading into the main part of the house.

The accident occurred while she was washing some clothing, and when she attempted to remove the cover from a vessel of boiling water there was an explosion and a great volume of the hot liquid was dashed into her face.

Dr. P. R. Williams, Sr., was summoned and for a time he was fearful that the sight of both eyes was destroyed. But after making a more careful examination he discovered that her eyes were not seriously injured.

Her face and scalp were badly scalded and when the injured area was swathed in bandages, her features were almost entirely concealed.

While her injuries were very painful, and will perhaps cause her to be permanently disfigured, her condition is not considered dangerous, and unless some unexpected complication arises she will recover rapidly.

6 IN AUTO DIE IN WRECK

Train Hits Indiana Party as Engine Stops on Track

Austin, Ind. Sept. 10.—Six people were killed here this afternoon when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by a Pennsylvania passenger train.

The dead are: Ellsworth Belch, wife and daughter aged 20; Mrs. Mary Belch; 60 years old; Beulah Robbins, 14; and Leona Truleck, aged 12.

All of the victims were residents of this city. The engine of the automobile went dead on the crossing and the engineer of the train was unable to stop in time to avoid the accident.

Auto Kills Two More.

Yeddo, Ind. Sept. 10.—Harry Bird, a prominent business man from Ann Arbor, Mich., and his wife were killed this afternoon when their automobile left the pike road and turned over, rolling into a gulch six feet deep.

Cape Mexican War Veteran Harks Back to the Heights of Cerro Gordo

Pioneer Tells of Experiences in Mexican War and Describes Flight With Santa Anna After the Famous General Lost His Wooden Leg—Octogenarian Now Lives For Fiddle and Bow—"Buffalo Girl" and "The Mockingbird" are S. J. Backus' Favorite Music.

Despite the fact that he has just celebrated the 67th birthday anniversary of his enlistment in the struggle between the United States and Mexico, S. J. Backus, 87 years of age, straight as an Indian, with a clear, penetrating eye, walked to the door with an easy stride to extend a cordial greeting to a Tribune representative who had called to see him yesterday afternoon.

After assuring himself that his guest was comfortably provided for this venerable white haired veteran of two wars proceeded to relate his experiences in a manner calculated to excite wonder and admiration.

Born in Warren, Ohio, in the month of May, 1826, he remained in his native state until he had reached the age of twenty years, when he moved to Monmouth county, Illinois.

On the 7th day of August, 1847, he enlisted for service in the Mexican war, in an independent company of mounted cavalry, under Capt. Wyatt B. Stapp, and was moved directly to the midst of the struggle. With headquarters at Castle Parrotte, he with his company served as guards of the U. S. Mail, express and dispatches from the City of Mexico to Vera Cruz.

He proudly boasts of the distinction of being one of the three guards who carried the dispatch of peace from Pueblo, Mexico, to Castle of Parrotte, a distance of 80 miles which was covered in scant eight hours.

In speaking of his acquaintance with General Santa Anna, the old soldier related the following experience: "After the war was over General Santa Anna drove into the Castle of Parrotte with his wife and daughter, seeking protection.

"He asked for an escort to Jalapa, twelve miles from the heights of Cerro Gordo where he had previously lost his wooden leg.

"I was one of the guards called out to guard Santa Anna to Jalapa, and when we got as far as the suburbs of Jalapa we found General Jack Hays with his Texas Rangers in camp waiting for the Mexican leader.

"Hays had an antipathy against Santa Anna for the reason that he had murdered all of his family except himself.

"Hays' regiment was camped inside of a long stretch of stone wall along the north side of the national road, and when they saw that it was Stapp's command in escort, they fell back and allowed us to pass, but expressed sorrow that we were the ones who had been detailed as the protecting guard.

"They knew the duty of a soldier, and in sympathy with us they permitted Santa Anna to pass, but afterwards they expressed strong disapproval of us for accepting the position.

"It had been any other regiment the Mexican general would have been killed, but Stapp's company was connected with Hays' regiment at Vera Cruz and was with them in the battle of Salina, and from that time on Hays thought as much of Stapp's company as he did of his own men."

After peace was declared, Mr. Backus said they marched back to Illinois and were discharged at Alton in 1848.

He then went to Iowa, where he engaged in farming until the breaking out of the civil war.

On the 9th day of September, 1861,

GERMANS LOSE 2 GREAT FIGHTS, PARIS REPORTS

Kaiser's Army Flees in Terror, Leaving Many Guns On Battlefield, Says War Department Announcement--Allies Take Whole Sections Prisoners and Chase the Teutons Up and Down the River Marne.

CRACOW, AUSTRIA'S BEST POST IN GALICIA IS TAKEN BY RUSSIANS

Czar's Army Now Only 190 Miles From Berlin With But Few Fortifications to be Overcome---Fall of Breslau Imminent, Is the Announcement Made By Official Russia.

By Cable to The Tribune.

Paris, Sept. 10.—The German army was driven back forty miles on the right as the result of two great battles fought today and in the center the Prussian guard has been routed by the French and are being chased to the north of Saint Gouds, marshes, where fighting with continuous action and tremendous violence has been going on all day long.

That was a part of the statement issued tonight by the French War Department and was transmitted to Paris from Bordeaux for the foreign newspaper correspondents.

It continues: Two of the furious engagements fought during the day resulted in a crushing defeat of the stricken Germans, and they swarmed over the River Marne, with the Allies in pursuit. The flight of the Kaiser's men became so precipitate that it bordered on a rout.

The Germans fought with despair of exhaustion, but could not withstand the onslaught of the British and French troops which had been reinforced by fresh brigades withdrawn from the lines of defense of Paris. So headlong was the retreat of the Germans that many guns were left on the battlefield to be captured by the Allies and whole sections of prisoners were taken.

Petrograd, Sept. 10.—Cracow, the strongest Austrian post in Galicia, and one which obstructed the advance of the huge Russian center army upon Breslau, is the next objective point reported to have fallen before the furious fire of the heavy siege guns.

The forts to the east and north of the city were shelled incessantly until finally the Austrian guns were silenced and the city was occupied by the Russian troops.

Cracow is the capital of Austrian Poland and lies on the broad plain on the left bank of the Vistula. It is only thirty miles from the German border and between it and Breslau there are scarcely any fortifications. The investment of Breslau, which is only 190 miles from Berlin, is imminent. From Breslau the mighty army will move toward Berlin.

London, Sept. 10.—A dispatch to the Reuter Telegram company from Petrograd says that the Austrians have begun evacuating Cracow.

The dispatch adds: "Consternation prevails at Cracow. The evacuation of the town has begun. The authorities are trying to induce the members of the loyal cycle club to remain and assist in the defense of the place. Many however, have resigned their memberships because of sympathy with Russia."

Cracow, or Krakow, former capital of the kingdom of Poland, is in Galicia, 158 miles southwest of Warsaw, and situated in a broad plain on the left bank of the Vistula. The city in late years was converted into a fortress by the construction of outlying forts. From 1815 to 1846 Cracow was the capital of the little republic of Cracow, the last fragment of independent Poland. The city is the focus of the Polish nationality. Its population in 1900 was 91,323.

London, Sept. 10.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. from Rome says:

"Dispatches from Vienna state that the advance guards of the Russian center are marching toward Berlin."

"The Russian troops have invaded Silesia and the capture of Breslau is imminent."

"A message from Vienna states that it is officially admitted there that Archduke Frederick lost 120,000 men in the recent Galician battles, or one-fourth of his entire command."

"The Germans are marching toward Poland to assist the Austrians, but before this aid can be given they must cross the Vistula River, where the Russians are preparing to check them."

New York, Sept. 10.—Straight from a 20 minutes' talk with the German Emperor in Berlin, H. von Eckhardt, the new German Minister to Mexico, asserted today that the Emperor had no thought of abandoning his plan to besiege Paris, that a German army would be subjugated by the German arms, "not to keep it always, but to destroy forever the menace of French militarism."

The Emperor discussed the underlying causes of the war and the campaign and outlined what Germany hoped to achieve. The German ruler said:

"The Emperor has been trying for many years to win the friendship of France." Von Eckhardt said. "He has made friendly overtures to the French again and again, but apparently Germany failed to win their good will. Now, the attitude of Germany is that we must take France or die. The German army must fight to the very last man. We must take Paris and subjugate the French army—not that we will take France to keep it, but we must destroy the power of the French army."

"I do not know whether this will take a week or six weeks, or how long it will be, but of this you may rest assured—the German army will take Paris. If they do not, it will be because there are no more German soldiers left."

"Much is said about the Russian advance toward Berlin. First let the Russians take Koenigsberg, then we will talk about Berlin."

Von Eckhardt said he was awaiting word from Washington through the German embassy as the status of the present authorities in Mexico. He would not present his credentials to any Government not formally recognized by America, he said, although he might go to Mexico to observe affairs there.

THE TRIBUNE WINS CAPE FAIR AWARD

The Board of Directors of the Fair and Park Association, under whose auspices the Cape County Fair is to be held, Tuesday authorized The Tribune to publish a special edition on Sunday, September 27, to be known as "the fair edition." The Tribune was officially notified of this action yesterday in a letter, signed by the officers of the board.

The Fair and Park Association accepted a bid made by The Tribune to buy 200 tickets at 25 cents each and to give the Fair a certain amount of free advertising between now and the opening. The Fair will also be given a full page in the special fair edition.

The tickets which The Tribune has purchased will be given away to anyone who subscribes for The Daily Tribune for three months or the Weekly Tribune for one year. The cost for either subscription is \$1. And to each subscriber will be given a ticket which will admit one to the fair.

The Tribune has added thirty-six new readers to its rapidly growing circulation in two days. The Tribune will give every resident of the county or any other county who joins its family circle a ticket to the fair.